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An Industrial Training School for Indian Children.

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Sitka, Alaska, Dec 26th 1882

Dear Dr Jackson.
The Steamer came in yesterday afternoon. Christmas was almost over, but it stirred us up, & as we had been thinking of the loved ones so far away, we could hardly wait patiently for the mail to be brought ashore & assorted so that we might hear from them. I was quite disappointed in not seeing any letters addressed in your well known hand, in of late date. I received one from Juneau, in relation to the Indian boy from Fort Wrangel. We have nothing from Dr Corliss, or from any other party about him up to date. We have had a succession of gales here for the past week with very high

tides. Last Friday the waves dashed over the road all the way from the School to the Blarney Stone. As I went to the new "Home" I left word for the boys to have a good fire in the School for Miss Linnie so that she might be as comfort-able as possible, had filleted some tar paper on the floor where the slates & covered the whole floor with boards from the last raft the boys brought in to make it more comfortable & to season the boards at the same time. About half past eleven, Linnie came rushing up through the snow & rain & reported that the waves were dashing the School room to pieces. Walter, Sherigan & myself ran down, & we found that the waves were dashing a large log against the building like a battering ram, the side on that side was knocked down. part of the siding gone & now & then a wave would dash through the window, Linnie ordered them (boys) when she

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the Indians go as soon as their mouth is up. Sheriffs I will keep until I get the Rustic on, if the wind does not blow it off — Hope you will send us some money by next steamer, so that I can settle with him. My little grandson died on the 7th. Was taken with a congestive chill in the morning & died before noon. Have taken a number of new boys into the House & will take more in a few days. Our "Home" is the best building here. The Guard house shook like a leaf the other night, so much so that we could not sleep, our old building blew down, & the Russians all left the Sebine fearing it would fall, part of the sheet iron roof of the Priests house was blown off, but our building hardly suffered. We

received twelve boxes & bbls, fat ones, for our Home this time, many thanks to our friends for their very generous gifts, did not get them into the house until after dark, have not opened them, & do not know when they came from yet. Thanks for your kind suggestions & advice, will try & send you a picture of the Home by next mail, the purser is waiting for this so please excuse all mistakes, Family all unite with me in sending kindest regards to you & yours,

Most Sincerely Yours,

[illegible]

building, so that the snow will not interfere with us when the weather will permit us to work outside. Have all the flooring laid on the second floor, except the hall & the 8 room next to the Davis road. We are fixing a sill under the beams over the school room, when we laid the floor in the large dormitory over that room, it would spring so much on walking over it, that I think it best to err on the safe side. We have the inside lining nearly all on. Our last raft of logs furnished us over Six Six feet of lumber & we have been using this.

Expect to open our school in the "Home" by the 1st of Jan shall not dare to take my family in there on account of Mrs Willard & Mrs Cushing. Dr Ayres told me to day that he greatly feared at our time that Mrs C- would have to go to S-Francisco to be treated for her eyes. I think they are better now, but it is impossible for her to comply with his directions to rest, & not use them. I shall go into the Home to sleep as soon as the boys have a room into it. Mr Coons & wife go below by this steamer — for his health. — He told me to day that when I removed from the stable

he would tear it down & use it to repair other buildings. I thought of asking you to get the Government to give us the frame, & we would remove it, & put it up for a carpenter shop. Have not been able to get the ditch & grading done back of the building, or to measure the distance to Indian River, will attend to the latter, & before next steamer, & if possible will have the grading done. Am trying to get Mr Brady to take the contract. — Have not hired any more carpenters, No money to pay them, or the ones we have. Secondly, they all want good pay. Thirdly, it dont keep light long enough to eat our dinner. As it were. Shall let

left to remove every thing & we found them hard at work carrying their bedding etc into the stable in front of their building Lizzie stayed until all of the school children were out & then Lonnie pulled her out without her hat & cloak, if it had not been for the partition we put in the roof would have gone into the sea. Had the bedding etc removed into one of the dormitories in the "Home" where they all sleep, while they cook & eat in the old place. Have the rustic on the front, & up to the window sills around the whole

Sent to Cir

The Manse Andersons Bay
New Zealand
Dunedin 4th Decr 1879.

My dear Dr Jackson

Please receive the enclosed draft for £2.— On account of your paper I am sure its high toned Missionary spirit, & thrilling appeals on behalf of your great Home Mission field must strike a chord of sympathy in every heart & tend to stimulate the Christian liberality of your people

I feel interested in your Alaska mission. If

your Missionary there ~~ask~~ has room for another child ask him to take him in & I will pay the cost of his maintenance (thirty dollars, I think it is) during the next year

It is very distressing to read the appeals published in some of your papers on behalf of poor Ministers & Missionaries in connection with your Church

What is the reason of it? Have you no general Fund to meet such

Cities?

I was up in Canterbury lately & saw my brother in law. He enjoyed his visit to your country very much & gave a glowing account of the salubrity of your climate & of the marvellous fertility of the new Mexican soil.

The Lord bless you in all your labours, & abundantly encourage you in carrying the glorious Gospel of His grace to the outlying settlements of your vast mission field!

Yours very sincerely
C. Stuart Ross

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Treasurer.

BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

P. O. Box 3863. No. 23 Centre Street.

New-York, Dec 4 1879

Dear Bro Jackson

Yours is rec'd.

The Board at its June meeting 1877 granted a commission to Rev. F. H. Robinson for Alaska. It was without date or promise of specified salary, also without naming any particular point. The whole matter was left — as I recall it — to the arrangements of Mr Fraser, who ~~could~~ can tell you better than any one else why he did not go. At our last meeting we appointed him to go to either Tuscon or Prescott, since which time we have heard that he has accepted a call to a church in the Sandwich Islands.

I probably should have sent you official notice that the Board granted

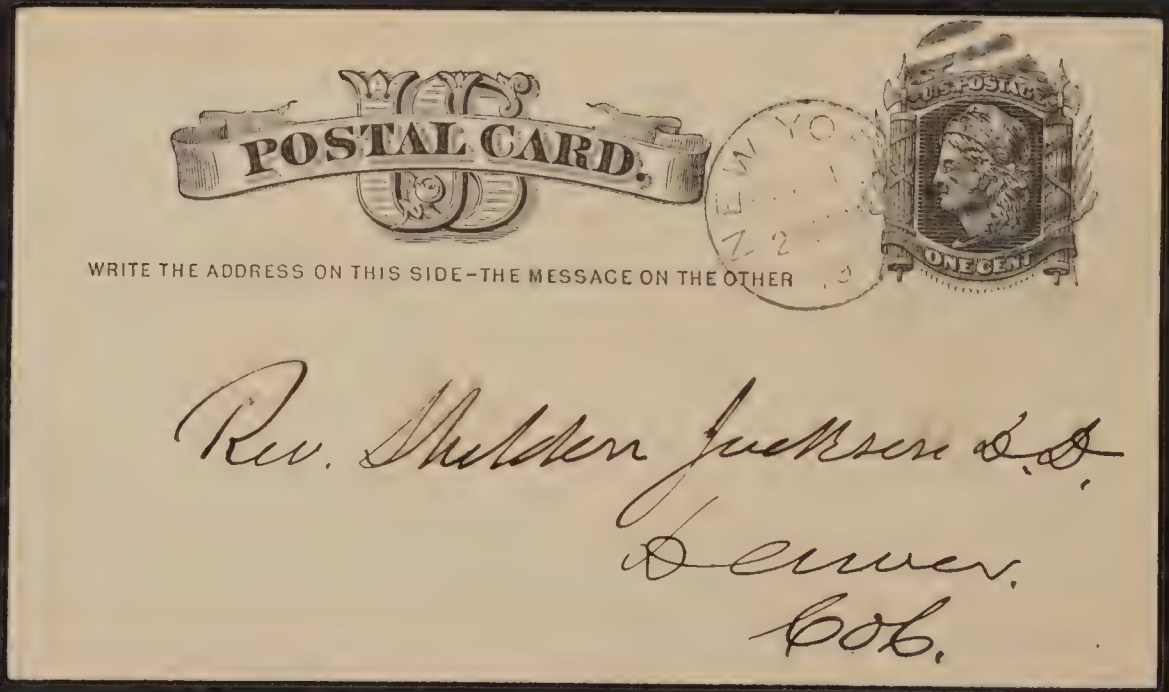
the request of the Woman's Ex Comte for your services, but I knew that Dr Kendall had written you, which I thought was enough. You will remember that it is W. E. C. that asked for you, not the Ladies Bd of Missions

Mrs Boyd still gets a little money not as much as we would like, but still very encouraging. It is over $6,100 since they organized and the year is not up yet. They will ~~state~~ print the full amount in the Feby or March no. of the "Rocky"

Yours truly

C. C. Boyd

$3,000 about since the assembly.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Rev. Sheldon Jackson D.D.
Denver.
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THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

P. O. Box 3863. 23 Centre Street, New York, 12. 1. 1879.

Mrs. Haines has permission to make use of your sewing machine or less this winter in terms & speeds &c. &c. She will write. When you come this way I want to see you here — Have much to talk about — Mrs in an awful hurry — Look at Seminary to-day. Newark. Elizabeth & Railway 3.4.15th —

H. Kendall

Woman's Executive Committee of Home Missions,

OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

P. O. Box 3863.

23 Centre Street, New York, Dec. 13th 1877

Rev Sheldon Jackson D.D. Denver Colorado.

Dear Sir & Brother,

I am so very glad to see the way is open for you to come to New-York & see us all — & arrange for the work, & meeting! — We received official notice at our meeting this morning that our request to have you spend some weeks in Jan. Feb. & March in Oregon & California was granted — Dr Kendall says the best thing is for you to come on here — I C. and quietly ponder this evening & consult enough on this! —

Our Exe. Comte. suggest also that we ask the R. M. P. Ch

picture of the cross with three nails, any pleasant representation of women be omitted in future — & that in the new form of the paper the Maine Woman's Executive Com^tee & Home-Missionary — be put in large letters stretching across top of page —

Enclosed find names of officers with proper heading as soon — as be-coming of first column —

We desire to take the old name — this assuring that it is for good to divide —

We thank you very much for formal vote for your kind-ness about the Exec^l Com^tee —

We have two new societies — but lose two — W. New-York, & Geneva —

Please let hearing from you soon

Very truly yours

A. E. H. Haines —

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Mr Pierce
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At the Nov *Meeting of the* BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS *of the* PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, *the following action was taken on the applications from your* ~~Presbytery~~. Synod

23 Centre St., New York, 12. 1 1879

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H. KENDALL, CYRUS DICKSON, } Sec's.

Certificates sent
Dec 6th

Pueblo.

Mine

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Dear Sister Jennie

Received

Dear Sis. Your of the 29th
is by received. We are glad to hear
that we weighed so much off, than
ever before, to the most we have
Father's place finished in order for
the winter and the apples, I
forgot I should tell you of seeing
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Fort Wrangel, Alaska.
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Rev. Sheldon Jackson D. D.

Dear Brother,

The long interval since the Steamer left for Portland is drawing to a close. This trip they are changing to the winter time, which has left us six weeks without a mail. It seems a very long time. But I can bear it much better than I thought I could when I came here. You remember how I felt on that memorable day in August 1877 at the thought that I would not have an opportunity to hear

from the Civilized World for a whole month. But God has enabled me to bear this, as well as many other trials since; and now from my heart I can say that although this is a hard work it is a work that pays and if I have many difficulties to contend with and many trials and annoyances to endure. I have also much joy and peace, and thank God that he has led me to this place.

The whole work of the mission is in a prosperous condition never more so than at the present. Our new church building is filled at every service.

The Catholics are making very little headway. The Priest went down to Victoria last Steamer, so their church

has been closed for several weeks. Four weeks ago we organized a Woman's Prayer-Meeting. We have met Friday afternoon of each week and we have had from 25 to 30 women present at each meeting and what is most astonishing every who is a member of the church leads in prayer. We have all been struck with the entire absence of anything like diffidence or hesitency in the performance of this duty.

We hope much from these meetings. Miss Dunbar's school is very full and I think the Board made a wise selection when they sent her to us.

We also have a night school conducted by Mr. Young - Dr. Ellis and Mr. Chapman. It is

for the men who cannot attend in day time. A great many are glad of the opportunity to learn. I feel much interested in the young men and wish more could be done for them. "The Home" is doing well, has 20 inmates. They are as bright, cheerful and happy a family of girls as I have ever seen. The poor, little girl I took while you was here (The one whose mother was murdered) is a very delicate child and I fear we will not have her long. She seems to be gradually fading away. I think it all results from the shock her nervous system received at the time

Many of the packages have nothing about them by which we can know where they came from, but I hope they will all accept thanks just the same.

Since I wrote the first of this letter something has occured that has made me very happy. For a long time I have been trying to get into the "Home" the little daughter of Shu-Slaake, the wicked chief who threatened me a year and a half ago. Yesterday morning he sent the child to me, saying he knew he was a wicked old fellow himself, but he wanted his little girl to be good, and he knew no person could

do as well for her as Mrs. McFarland. She is 13 or 14 years old and a nice child.

I have named her Louisa Moreross. — Shu-Staaks.

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he saw among these people, especially the Chilcats. That after preaching for hours they would call out "go on, go on".

They are most desirous for missionaries to be sent to them and we all hope the Board will do something for them next spring. We have had two weeks of severely cold weather. The coldest I have felt since coming to Fort Wrangel. This is a very cold house and we have been unable to keep very comfortable. I met with a great loss in having my plants all frozen. I think next to my work I loved them better than anything else in Alaska. Now, I hope my friends who read this will send us some flower seeds, so we may make another effort to

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As Christmas is drawing so near the Indians are all excitement. Christmas is the greatest day in all the year to them. Through the kindness of many friends in the

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The California could not discharge its freight for Wrangel until they return from Sitka.

It seems too bad, but cannot be helped. Through your paper I want to thank all the dear friends east and west for the fruit they sent for our tree.

I am sure they would be amply repaid could they know how much pleasure their gifts will give these poor people.

May God bless them all for their kindness to us.

Department of the Interior,

Office of the Secretary,

Washington, December 1, 1879.

Dear Sir:

I have read your letter concerning the success of your mission in Alaska. I am very much obliged to you for the information which you have given me, and glad to learn that you have been able to do so much good. This Department would with pleasure extend a helping hand to your endeavors for the education of the Indians, there has not been funds at its disposal, or any authority at law for doing so. But both these indispensable things are wanting. It might perhaps be proper that you should apply to Congress in the way of petition for an appropriation in aid of the efforts to educate the Alaska Indians.

Very truly yours,

C Schurz

Carl Schurz

A. Kendall, Esq.,
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23 Centre Street,
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Letter written to Mr. Bonning this week.

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Commander L. A. Beardslee, U.S.N. Sumeston

Dear Sir The newspapers all over the States are republishing your report that the "Russians offered us poor, miserable, lazy, poverty-stricken creatures, whom it would not be worth while to take much trouble about &c" & using it as an argument against doing anything to develop or govern Alaska just at the time when public attention is called to the necessity of doing something for Alaska, you have given it a fresh impetus.

You were a pretty self constituted censor of my paper at the very time you were writing more damaging things than ever slipped into my paper. I don't wonder the people here indignant from Ounalaska to Ft Wrangell - Truly yours

Dec 10. 1879.

Sheldon Jackson

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our good Indians
will be killed. Miss
Dunbar & Mrs Corlis both
have full schools -
& are kept very busy
Our Sabbeth School has
increased very much
We now have six
large classes. I have
from 55 to 70 in my
class every Sabbeth.

Yes we all feel pleased that Lillie has shown so much decission of character, & now we love her more than ever. Our communion is just over & she came out a decided happy Christian.
Yes I am very glad Dr Jackson was able to visit Fort Simpson & Nettlecatta. Bishop Ridley, & Admiral Prowo were up here in October. I have always regretted that I did not go down to Fort Simpson when

you went down,
for the "Slope" came
right up again. I am
very sorry about Philip
will I had counted so
much on having him.
I dont know what to
do about taking her
into the Home on
the same ground as
the other girls. Mrs
W. Wright is so much
interested in her,
& proposes to raise the
money for her support
if I will take her. I
am very sorry she was
not at home when the
Dr was there. Mr Crosby
teacher Miss Nott has
been married lately.

Mr Young has said nothing for a long time about going into the Home. I think they have give it up. Mrs Young is very well. She has a splendid baby. The best little thing I ever saw. The Vanderbelts are in Portland. The Corlis,s are well. I am glad you met the Condits, Don't you think she is lovely? I am so glad Miss M'Beths sister has has gone to Idaho, She needed some person

with her so much.
I never saw any person
better contented than
Miss Dunbar. I am so
glad of it. I hope you
are pleasently situated
for the winter.
Much love to the little
girls. My girls are
very anxious for
Christmas to come.
I told them I was writ
ing to you. They say
tell Mrs Jackson we
would like to see her
again.

Sincerely Yours
A. R. McFarland

I will enclose the
$125 I owe the Dr
for sending the latched
I may forget it
when I write to him,

A. R. M'T.

Jemez N. M. Dec. 8th '99

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D. D.

Dear Doctor.

I have neither written or heard from you since you were here. We are all well and getting along well at Jemez. The Knot you tied for us when you were here seems to be doing very nicely and well. You have heard about the death of my Interpreter, Pablo. I would have written before this but I had not the heart to write. I was perplexed and discouraged because I could not get his body to bury decently. The old man told me he was not afraid of death. He seemed to be putting his trust in Jesus. I read and talked and prayed with him on the day before his death. I read to him about heaven out of his own Testament which he had kept so faithfully notwithstanding the Mexicans kept telling him it was not a good book. He wanted his will made American like and I have it in charge for the heirs. When I asked him about burying

him he could not speak plain.
I understood him to be well
satisfied but the Indians said
he did not want to be buried
that way and there seemed to
so much opposition that I could
not press the matter.
I felt very much discouraged
and could hardly sleep one night
but I know I should trust God
and go on. I miss him so much
and see no hope of another.
The Indians seem to be very
fearful about their old customs
and are unusually active about
everything that pertains to Montezuma.
It is a well known fact with Physicians
that disease seems to often show the
most power and activity just at the
hour of its departure, just before the
patient begins to get better.
So in the account of the casting out
of a devil. It tore the man
and came out of him. I look
for these benighted souls to make
a dreadful and persistent opposition
to a change of religion and manners.
And slice the very darkest hour

might be just before the dawn.
Romaldo Montoya's wife is dead
poor. Since you were here baptized
and received into the church her
Mother the very old lady you saw
at Romaldos. She is 84 years old
and seems very well satisfied that
she is now a Protestant. I think
more Mexicans will come in now.
You know how I am tied up here
and how much I have to do all
the time. If I had time I could go
around and preach to the Mexicans
and they would hear gladly or I think
some would. I have no word about
Romaldos commission. It will be
a great disaster to us here if the
Board don't do something soon.
The new school room is about
ready to open school in and
we need it badly. The school
is doing well now. I sent the
box of stones and the wheel to Dr
Thomas and I believe I did write
you a few lines about that time.
Please let me if you seen about
Gallegos or if Mr Armin sent
the list of licentiates to the Board.
If the Board will not pay Romaldo

Now could you send him a
little to help him along and
keep him from becoming
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to be hopeful and confident that
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be greatly encouraged by a
little money with which to keep
his family. I will try and send
you something for the paper soon.
It would not do to say too much
about state. If I could have
succeeded in baptizing and burying
his. I could have written something
interesting. Mrs. S joins in sending
love. I remain your humble servant
and your Brother in Christ.

J. M. Shields

Ogden, Utah, Dec. 8th, 1879

Rev Sheldon Jackson, D.D.

Dear Brother:

I thank you for your pithy appeals in our behalf in last month's "R.M.P." Our building is all completed. The Board of Church Erection have voted us $750. This amount with what has been handed in as "special" for Ogden would pay for the building, if it were not for the extras which we have had to add to the building on account of the school. If we had $800 more we could pay for all extras on the building, for the desks of the school, and for the furniture.

We purpose (D V) to dedicate the church on the 3d Sabbath in December. I hope we shall be able to dedicate it free of debt.

I have received a call from Eureka, Nevada; the salary is much larger than my present one and I would have the advantage of a comfortable parsonage, whereas now I pay $200 a year out of my $600 for house rent. I felt that my duty was to place this mission on a firm foundation before leaving it and I declined the call.

I have received a letter from Mrs Mary J Rice of Honolulu, H. I. and she tells

me to say that she is gathering those curiosities which she promised you, but that she will not have them ready for two months.

Mr Gallagher joins me in sending you love.

Yours in Christ

G. W. Gallagher

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Jose Ynes. Perea

Franklin House Sept. 7th 1871

Andrew Jackson Esq.

I remember you telling me you were going East soon to Toronto, before I left Montreal you promised to write me a letter giving me information relating to Commercial travellers as it matters much to me to know it would be important to my future business but as I have it still to do I shall be obliged if you will let me know what you think of my chances of doing business in Brantford or Hamilton. I have left my baggage behind me at Hamilton, thinking I should return there, but I shall now not do so although I have left my baggage on the way. We intend to shorten our journey home and stop at the Falls and thinking of going to Niagara but there is a steamboat plying up the rapids in the immediate vicinity of the Falls and going thence to Queenston "Heights" to be built here by the Government very soon, so we are undecided. I see the Lakeview and notwithstanding its disadvantages arising from the noise and its being out of the Centre of the City, I think it would be the most pleasant place to stay at. Mr. Fraser will not let out a room to us. We hope to return to Toronto by the Lakeview and I hope it will be quiet at that time. We shall be there on the 20th or 21st and stay a week or ten days. I enjoy everything if very much but am gain-

very in health every day. This is a portion of Kansas with the Kansas people. "Life's Letter" is like us, he went on among the people of El Paso daily, from his being just on the opposite side of the River. Now would I write I would show the condition of his people & our condition & yet we would be better off. I would not be long until we would have a school at our church. We with the Presbyterians & El Paso Great Lovers of pile beautiful & bad whom who seem so attentive & look after them with great care yet that I am not cared and after their protection and our "Industrial Education". The only practical thing for them at this age I left Willie in his uncle at Leadville. He could not do better for them well, I have a desire to know no Perkins keep his Carpenter shop open for boys who might want to learn the Carpenter trade, but do not know how much we would pay. Write me. We would have to buy some tools and some thing to start them with. Mr P. is willing to aid in this way but would not furnish tools for the boys. We are anxious to see them here by the 30th. Mrs Gladden writes me she is pleased to receive them and that the Manse Hotel does not boarding so great out lay. I think you effected best upon stopping your boys. Write a long letter and see if Willie's good friend will feed you in all your journey. Yours truly. Mrs J. P. Gladden.

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City Colorado

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[illegible] $[illegible] to buy [illegible] power. Many thanks for those who sent me on to the "wedding trip."

I feel quite encouraged by the appearances of things here now. The town is very lively and the church and Sabbath school is more interesting than ever.

The house is packed every Sabbath evening and we have good

Dearest, I have an
whichever things
made a drill steel
by which I call them
together.

If you can without
too much trouble, I
wish, by next mail
how would it suit
that we are before to
Cincinnati and to return
by way of St Louis
However, I will be more
explicit as to route
& time later —

Your Cousin
Wm is working
in Kansas R. Mt Pretty
well established, Many
thanks — I will
send you more

paper when over I
can.

My kindest regards
to all your family.

Do you see the
Herald and Presby.
notice in which
I received "the other
side of the Negro
question," signed
W. C. Beebe

Yours very truly
W. C. Beebe

P.S. I might say that there
is now no doubt but
that Rico will be a
very large place. It
will be much larger
than Durango, we
must look out for
it in the spring

Farmington is South
of the Junction here
there stores, and a very
large iron rolling house
& blast house, the
R.R. runs out by our
shops. Make a town
to South Pittsburg
comes by the river and
our bridge, through
the town & up hill
we did to South, or,
in a few days it was
[illegible] in time
[illegible] Beebe

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Santa Fe, N. Mex.,
Dec. 8th 1879.

Dr. Jackson,
Dear Friend.

Your letter, with one from Rev. George Little, was received on the 6th. I appreciate your kindness greatly, as also that of Mr. Little. I also received on Saturday a telegraphic order from Dominic Atwood for me to take a delegation of Jicarilla Apaches to Washington. I suppose I will now be enabled to carry the war into Egypt; and thus reach an understanding.

I can reach Washington about Christmas, but as no business could be done for a week after that, I shall ask the Dominic's permission to make it a week later.

When will you be at Washington? Would like to meet you there. Will you have the kindness to give me a letter to Mr. Little, and any others who would interest themselves in a good thing? I will go to Tierra Amarilla for my Indians, and will probably return here — however, that will be deter-

mined by the tickets the Commission proposes sending me.

I must have those school plans before I start, and shall get the Commissioner to have specifications made if I can. Please send them, and any letters you may have, to me here.

With many thanks,

Yours very truly,

C. M. Thomas,

Pittsburgh December 11th 1879.

Rev Sheldon Jackson

Dear Bro

Yours of 29th Ult came duly to hand and the note with accompaning plan for Kodiak Island Alaska read to the S.S. Teachers last Sabbath afternoon, after which they unanimously voted $100. to that object. It gives me great pleasure as Superintendent of the Lawrenceville Presbyterian Sabbath School to enclose you a draft for $100. Immediately after appropriating this sum, the teachers united in prayer asking the blessing of God to follow it.

Let us hear from you, and if the effort to establish a Mission on "Kodiak Island" should fail, place the money we send you, where it will do good at once.

Some time ago you sent me a crock, or flower pot from the Pueblos. I hoped you would have sent me something descriptive of it — how made &c &c — that I might have made a talk about it to the School, but as it is it has, thus far, proved dead stock, in the interest of Missions.

I had the Rev. C. H. Mateer, missionary to China, with me, overnight, last week.

Yours truly

Robt. Orr

Kansas
26 Chs organized in 1879 -

10 Chs built 79
3 dence dy work
$3,000

274 chs 1869
55 in 1868

156 Sunday Schools
30 in 68

Prot pop in 68
300,000
Reg Ch Members 15-00
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900,000 pop
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Organized a ch
where soon no Meth
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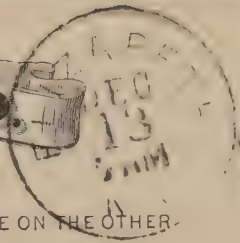
The Presbyterian Church in the United States of America,

23 Centre Street, New York, ... 18

December 12, 1879



WRITE THE ADDRESS ON THIS SIDE—THE MESSAGE ON THE OTHER.

Rev Sheldon Jackson D.D.
Denver
Colorado —

Woman's Executive Committee of Home Missions
OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
23 Centre Street. P. O. Box 3863.

New York, [illegible] 1879

Dear Fieldman Galveston & Denver Colorado —
I write a line on the first anniversary of our Pastor's ordination by the good hand of our God — The home & foreign work is not — We thank you for the great help given — & that the Lord will overrule our mistakes — Will try to be careful in future as to the poverty of our churches
Rec'd Miss Laura's & Alfred's letter — I will attend to it — I am hoping you may get on in time for my daughter's wedding on the 23rd inst. & so send this rather on a venture — E. E. H. Haines —

Jemez New Mexico.
Dec 15 = 79

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D.D.
Dear Doctor.
Mrs. Trinidad Montoya wife of Rev. Romaldo Montoya, died on the morning of the 13th. She gave very good evidence that she was a child of God. She seemed to be happy in prospect of entering heaven through the merits of Jesus.
We buried her yesterday near the grave of Mrs Shields. A large concourse of Mexicans and some Indians attended her funeral. All behaved well and gave marked attention to the services. During her long affliction we

Mrs Shields died a few years since. Your Brother in Christ F. M. Shields

have done what we could for Romaldo's. He can now go out all over this country to preach the everlasting Gospel to his countrymen and he will have plenty of hearers, I feel sure. I asked the Board in my last quarterly report to let me know immediately if they could not commission Romaldo. I have however no assurance that they will even do that. Mr Miller is home again and is very well. He says you did not call to see him. We talked about the Tradership at Jemes. I am sorry to say anything against Mr. Miller.

Judge Beaumont I say ought not to be allowed to remain on the Reservation. Mr Miller is what we call a Moral Man and his utter indifference to anything like religion is the only fault I have to make to his character.
But another thing I think you all know and that is that Mr Miller is under J. L. Johnston & Co. and all goods sold here have to be sold at an enormous rate to allow Mr Miller to make a little out of them. Yesterday Mr Miller did what he could to help buy Mrs Montiga, but Beaumont kept the store open and

did not even walk to the door to see the procession as it passed. I do not accuse him of selling goods yesterday I dont think they sell much on Sunday but the store is kept open all the same and is a rendezvous for the Catholics of all descriptions.

For several weeks before Mr Miller came Beaumont was drunk most of the time and I dont want to see such another time in James. I think he would have killed an Indian one night and been killed himself if I had not interfered to get the row settled. If the Church and the government is in partnership in this matter I think it is a great big inconsistency to send one man to teach religion and another set to utterly ignore everything like religion.

These things are well known and if the government will do nothing different than it will have to be done. You need

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Logan Utah Dec 16 79

Br. Jackson

Please meet in the R.M.P. something like the enclosed. our Franklin enterprises appear to be matted to labor under difficulties. Mrs Rodgers the teacher we just put plain out away and now their school house has blown down. we will have to go on until the Lord tells us to stop.

I am about opening a Mutual School upon the same plan at Smithfield 7 miles north.

Now at Logan there is a very strong [illegible]

here this winter. The Mormons coming driven out the Gentiles out of town - and we are hoping for a chapel. We are still in this place with the chain factory over head. Our school is better than last winter is in good condition. Maggie is teaching though she has no commission as yet. S. School is healthy but not large. & my services are similar. Healthy but no large congregation. Last Sabbath was. Our needs and wants are concentrate in a chapel. The Mormons take us to be Carpet baggers & think let him alone he will soon go away. We expect to send for a chapel & in the meantime

Gen Porter & others

P.S. I have failed in every respect to secure a pass on this R.R. and yet my duties call me up the road often. The other day I received a letter from a lady at the terminus, a Presbyterian, and a stranger to me, asking me come up there & establish a S.S. & hold a service. I would gladly go & hear before place but it would cost me at 1/2 rate $1.00 R.R. fare. This is out of the question for me — when my 1/2 rate pass is renewed for 1885 I will

we bring an influence
to bear to make it free.
Our friends have tried &
wrote on a very kind
letter about it but
nothing has come of it.
What can we do — I
have duties attached for
the town but cannot
scale the ground. We
had wife sweet as
Yours Ever
Carl

Are you go to Washington
this week?

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~~Cor. Sec.~~ ~~Cor. Sec.~~

J. M. Partridge

Cañon City, Colo. Dec. 15th

Dr. Jackson,

Dear Bro:

The Church here, you know, applied to the Board for $500.00. They have granted us just $200.00. We cannot get along with that, & shall have to renew the application. As you are on the ground, we hope you will intercede for us. Let me state our circumstances & tell you what we are doing.

In the last "minutes" you will see our membership is stated at 45. But when I came there were 7 members absent, making only 38. But we have

already rec'd 7, making again the No. 45.
What are we doing?
Paying $1000.00 towards the Salary. Liquidating a debt of $1450.00, a part of which was subscribed before I came, tho' none of it was paid. Contributing $75.00 towards the D. S. this year. Meeting promptly all the running expenses of the Church.
Then, yesterday, I presented the claims of the Boards & pressed them hard, & the result was a subscription of $105.50 on the spot, to be paid by the end of Feb. & to be apportioned by the Session. Some were not present who will subscribe, & we expect the amt to reach $125.00, or $150.00.

of this, as it stands, we shall give the Home Board at least $50.00 & if the additions are what we expect, probably considerable more.

What is the aggregate?

Salary	$1000.00
Rent	450.00
S. S.	75.00
Boards - at least -	125.00
Running expenses about	50.00
Total -	$1650.00

Not a bad showing for a church of 45 members. They are doing well - all they can. I don't believe there is another ch. in the State doing as much. Should all of our Pres. Ch's do equally well, none of the Boards would be embarrassed. The people are interested. The work is promising well. Our S. S. gus-

Sunday numbered 100 – larger than it has ever been before in the history of the Ch – Everywhere there is encouragement. Pockets have been opened, & we expect God will bless us. But we can't do more. There is only one alternative, if the Board can't help us – The Ch must give what belongs to next year, & then the doors must be closed. That is the way they are talking.

"Then why can't I get along on less Salary?"

$1500.00 is what they freely offered me. When in Italy I ran behind about $500.00 True, I had sickness & deaths in my family, but I may have them again soon. There must be provision for such emergencies. I can't run behind in that way any longer. It would bank-

upset me. Besides our expenses in Canon are much heavier than in Greeley. If Cousin have lost board I pay for Edith & myself for board per week $10.00 & it is nothing extra. For rooms 2 rooms $15.00 a month.
It cost to keep my horse a week $3.00, & I take care of him myself. I have thought I would dispose of him, & yet I need him for visiting outside. Then there are washing, mending & clothes, with all of the necy incidental expenses. I can't get along on less. And the Ch. can't do more, & be sure of running another year. All are doing nobly. This is all my plea.

Mr. Brewster has been appointed to write to the Board, & yet I wish you would present this letter to the Secretaries & present our case. Let the other Mission Ch's do as well, & then would be no trouble. Bailey & Evans, for instance, are doing half as much in proportion. I had hard work there, for they were not educated to give. It is difficult to correct old habits — But they improved, as you can testify. In almost all cases the fault in giving is due to pastors. But I do not think it right to press this ch. more at present. Hoping for favorable action, I am fraternally yours —

J. N. Partridge.

Bloomington Ill. Dec. 1 1866

Next year the application will be for very little, I am confident.

R.W. & Sallie H. Hall

ex ofico

J. A. Ormiston

Dear Sir

I have received
your letter, & my reply
has been delayed longer
than I intended.
My object in writing
is to know something
about the Chemistry
from you to have, & learn
here there but a short
time. Since the arrival of
Oper Chemist in Francisco
(Crease) not flourishing
as it should be. where
the fault is I dont know.
but I do know the other
professors are falling out
heard of it. which is low

fed with the Slave
trade having held it
for so many years.
I am an Old man
and have been for several
years and am greatly
interested in church
work. I have located with
my family in this place
I am very thankful we
are coming in a stronger
and finding fault. My
only excuse is my interest
in the Cause and that
there is nothing wrong
in her conduct.
In conclusion I wish to
say I have no fault to
find with Rev. Stanwin
he has treated me as
a gentleman and Christian
I hope he may be a

we did not that the
will never get out of
the other words would not
if charge be dropped
left to Mr. Dent in
Charge. This of course
is confidential as will
be any thing you have to
do if you be left to
receive. If you wish
to know anything about
the old world life you
to Rev. D. D. Fulton
Heathwood Sep
Nothing to fear from
your Sister & husband

T. B. Borden

The Board of Home Missions

OF

The Presbyterian Church in the United States of America,

23 Centre Street, New York, 12. 17. 1879.

Dear Bro. Jackson

Seldom have you been so reticent, & it makes me anxious, for your last told me Bessie was having a relapse — which is always to be feared. But I hope your next will relieve me of all responsibility — anxiety — I mean!

1. As to Dr. Lindsley & the money — I think there will be no trouble. On account of what he had assumed for the Home Number & to have matters more nearly at hand for Fort Wayne I did counsel Mr. Eaton to forward any balance on hand for the Home to Dr. L. but I had no idea there was $2000.

I cannot say I am very sorry the Home will not be completed till next year — for I foresaw when I left there, that at the very best the work would not be done till the wet & short dark days would be on hand, & that it would be a bad time to get settled. Now the work can be finished in the Spring & the moving & settling can be done in mid-Summer. I must now tell you of later

Matters in the case—
Vanderbilt is at Portland suffering very much from rheumatism & wanting the money he has advanced. We send him thro Dr. Sindsley his $300 for rent. The Board of Ch. Extension send the $1000. for the Ch Building. We have sent Gerry half year's Salary $500 $200 extra on past expenses & Mrs. G. one quarter's Salary $125. total $875. & Mrs. McFarlandi Have account about $225. & she is paid up in full on the last quarter. So they must be able to square up their store accounts with Vanderbilt. So. I think things will work out all right.
Now. as to other matters about which you have written or have not.
1. No recommendation was forwarded to us about Mrs. Sharon's re-appointment. Was it intentional or unintentional?
2. Ocaté. Is it wise for us to pay $800 or $1000. to Mr. & Mrs. Hall for a School of 20 scholars?
3. Las Vegas—our School Com. advise to commission Armin for 6 months with the intimation that at the end of that time a change may be desirable.

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4. Rigler's Salary we shall probably increase at our next meeting.
5. Santa Fe property. My advice is that instead of paying Gildersleeve $250 we had better put it into Dr. Thomas' hands & have him go to the Browns & obtain a release to us of so much as possible of the property in dispute & end it there. Something of that sort will be done I presume.
6. Married women & Mothers as Teachers. Mrs. Sharon - Mrs. Shields & Mrs. Perea. We shall have to reconstruct matters a little. Mr. Perkins can't have his bed & board in the School premises without paying for it. I am told that the Foreign Board does not pay as much to women as to single women - & there is reason in that - & that brings up another question -
7. Armin & Roberts - Armin had $1000 or more when his children were wholly dependent on him - last year he had $1000 salary & house rent - one daughter had $400 & the

other $425 in 15 months - Making about $1800 a year in his family besides house & rent - Roberts gets $1000 - & his wife gets $500 ostensibly on the ground that the $500 was necessary to have a house-keeper so that Mrs. R. could teach. But since Miss Burnham left El. Rancho that house Keeper has been teaching that School - & so far as we can learn she & Mrs. Roberts keep the house & run the two schools - It must be looked into & explained - What to do about Pena & his wife I don't know. How much is he doing there & how long could the School be if we had a good teacher?

8. Zuni - What Rail-way Co. had been running their Survey thro' Zuni about the time you were there? Is the Atch. Top. & Santa Fe road going out on the 35 parallel from Albuquerque? Let us know the last R.R. probabilities of the times -?

9. I agree with you that we ought to have a mission & school at Albuquerque - But I take it you didn't know any more about Mesilla & El-paso & Silver City than you did before. Perhaps they will keep.

10. Monument. Pueblo & Golden - we have recom-

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merited to sustentation.
Ouray & Smith – The people protest against the action of Presbytery which seems to me very arbitrary – Cutting a man off in that way on hearsay charges. & in his absence & with no opportunity to explain or defend himself I think is very unpresbyterial.
10. Darley & his work – No one doubts Darley's energy – But I think every man that knows him doubts his prudence – I shall not consent to any such appointment till I hear from Roberts & Armin & as to putting him in control of Miss Rose & all the School work – never – Darley would probably have half a dozen Jesuits in disguise working for him in six months. I don't take any stock in him for such work – If there is to be any supervisory work among the Mexicans in Col – we have a good man for it in our employ now – one Sheldon Jackson! & that leads to another thing

11. Ortiga- Montaza & Mart- added to Mendragon- Romero & Pena- six in all with Gallegos left out- they ought to do good work. But I am afraid of them. They are good men no doubt. But they are uneducated & untrained men- The pay recommended is too much- & it looks as tho' Darby, Armin & Roberts are to be Brigadiers & send out these men to do their work- If there were a great movement of inquiry among the Mexicans & we could find no better help I should be in favor of these. I cannot say that I disapprove of one at Jerez. one at Laguna as an experiment- But Darby if he is appointed which is doubtful & Armin & Roberts can do the work themselves & you can do all the supervising & directing the Mexican laborers need- & you will become better acquainted with the men & their fields & their work than you are now & than they can be. The new plan of work reminds me of the Mormon System in which "every fifth man is an Officer"-

Finally- unless I think of something else- You probably expect a great im-

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migration into South. E. Col. & West. & Montana next Spring. Men must be getting ready for it. I hope you will be East as soon as possible. I want to see you. Carl Schurz congratulates us on our good beginning in Alaska & suggests that we petition Congress for aid. Hot Springs School is in the pot boiling. I think we shall have it in shape soon.

Mrs. K. has just gone up to Grand Rapids on a summons from Hall's wife saying he is running down again. I am afraid he will be compelled to resign & leave that malarious climate.

I lectured three nights in succession in Jersey week before last, & was engaged for three successive nights last week. But Dr. Dickson is not well & his physicians say he must have immediate rest, & so I withdrew my appointments for last week & must take the laboring oar here for the present.

December 17. 1879

I hope Mrs. Jackson will not be wholly prostrated by Bessie's illness—

Yours truly

H. Kendall—

P.S. I have seen what you have written Mrs. Graham about Mrs. Griffith. I quite concur with you in your estimate of her character. At the same time I urgently counsel Mrs. Graham not to employ her. She is too feeble & too unstable. It will not pay—

I was glad you said what you did about the property at El Rancho Ocate & Taos—

Olympia W.T. Dec 18/79

Dear Dr Jackson

I feel almost certain that I wrote you some weeks ago - But am not certain - So I now write concerning some matters which if not attended to ought to be - I may say that I have been very busy & this is my excuse for any seeming neglect of duty - Let me dash into the middle of my work without further introduction

If I tried to get our Presbytery to adopt a resolution claiming Alaska as within our territory - but found that the majority didn't want to touch it - "Dr L. had been at work there & we had enough missionary territory to look after &c" I then said let us overture Synod to attach Alaska to Oregon Presby. Synod -

I had to return to Olympia before Synod ended & overture not reached during my presence — When Congress opens Oregon probably claimed Alaska as already in possession by act erecting Synod of the Columbia — O.P. Board sided on that — Pres of P.S. did not care to fight for a shadow and so the matter stands —

(2) I introduced a resolution thanking Rev Dr Jackson for labors in Alaska &c — and requesting the Board of Missions to send him to Washington this coming winter to secure money for Indian Schools in Alaska from Uncle Samuel — The foregoing not the exact words but exact substance — Resolution carried unanimously — I then asked reporting clerk to be sure to put it in report to press — He said he would & it appeared in the city papers — I had also asked him to be sure to send same resolution

to Occident. He promised — I of course took it for granted that you would see it then, & went about my business. In my consternation I wrote to our reporting Clerk for an explanation of the immediacy of this thing. & he replied that the action of Synod ~~[illegible]~~ rather before he had sent report to Occident caused him to think that our Presbytery had no business with Alaska whatever & so he suppressed the resolution anent Jackson & Alaska. Pretty often receiving this reply (wh vexed me much) I had to start on a trip of some 300 miles to our little church in Klikitat County (33 members) organized by me last Summer. I only returned last week & wrote to the Editor of the Seattle paper for the printed report of Presby doings — I got instead (last evening) the report of Synods doings — I have to day written explaining the mistake

and asking for the right powers
If he cannot furnish copies I shall
write to Clerk of Presbytery for certified
copy of Resolution - & forward to you
for any use you may see fit to make
of the same - The Clerk of our Presbytery
ought to have sent that part of Resolution
of the Resolution wh thanked you
for work in Alaska - Did he do it?

(3) I found such a tide against electing
a Synodical Missionary this year that
I saw there was no use attempting to
stem it

(4) We have abolished the Exec Com
of Synod & have instead a Com. on
Missions of wh I am a member Drs
Lindsley & Geary being the other two -

(5) The Presbyteries of our Synod were en-
joined to look after mission work & fields
within their respective bounds

I think it probable that I shall write you to look out
for a young man for Kittitat County active industrious with
a goodly mingling of brains & grace - But dont do anything
until you hear again from me &

With kindest regards & prayers for your
success - I remain very truly yours

J W Thompson

Mrs James Cameron
ans. 12.30/79

P. O. Box 55

Oakland Dec 19th/79

Mrs H. E. M. Haines

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Dear Madam

Your valued letter was duly received, and I had hoped would have received an earlier acknowledgement. But wishing to say something had been done, I waited. I fear you have given up our Hygienical Committee as a failure; but such I am thankful to say is not the case.

As you experienced in your work, there are always many hindrances to any good effort. The know whence these come; and perhaps it is permitted of the Lord to prove our earnestness and faith.

As you are aware, fifteen ladies were appointed on our Com.; three

Your letter was received a few days since; and it really pains my interest in the work. Mrs. Lawrence, will prevent my attendance at the meeting. Mrs. has been sick for three days. does not seem possible that she can leave home

from each presbytery.
The three from the Presbytery of San Francisco were all from churches in the contiguous cities of S.F. and Oakland. As S.F. is the centre of everything religious, secular, intellectual and commercial (in Cal.), it would necessarily be the centre of our work - but here was the great hindrance - not one lady appointed in this Presby. was willing to serve!! By virtue of heading the list of names, I was chairman (I prefer to keep my sex in titles, as well as in fact), but it seemed to me that some one from the large churches in the largest presbytery was the most fitting one to take the initiative. Our Synodical Missionary, Mr Frazer, asked me to call a meeting of the ladies here. I found one was absent, and the other two positively declined serving -

The Women's Presb. Presbyterian, and other missionary papers. You have been much

one from timidity, the other Mrs Little, daughter of Rev Dr Scott, from over pressure of duties. Neither would call a meeting, not even a preliminary one. I was thus compelled to await the return of the Oakland member, which was not for six weeks. On her return I found that want of health would prevent her acceptance of the appointment. I asked her to send a substitute from that school, but as no step was taken I waited upon the pastor, Rev Mr Spicer, and asked the Session, through him, to send us a substitute. His sympathies were thoroughly enlisted; he promised to see the appointee and hoped to induce her to serve — if she would not he would have another lady appointed. She selected one to take her place; but on the Tuesday before the day appointed for our meeting, she was com=

I hope these sentiments are interested in the school at the Temple."

pelled to decline, from sickness in her family. There being but two days in which to secure anyone in her place, I at the request of Rev Mr S. saw several ladies, and finally secured a promise from one that she would serve, at least for a time.

Calvary Church, of S. F., had been asked to have a lady sent in place of the one who would not serve. I had a promise from the elder of that Church that it should be done; but on Monday, 2 inst, I saw him and nothing had been done! We were to meet on the 4th! I then called upon the pastor, Rev. Mr Hemphill, who promised to bring the subject before the session, on Wednesday evening.

You may imagine my anxiety! Not one lady, in this presbytery, to be counted upon two days before the 4th! I had, as you perceive,

favorable indications for the future. S. S. C.

been compelled to take the responsibility of calling the meeting and fixing time and place. This was done by advice of the members of session of two churches to be represented, - Calvary, & 1st & Oakland, - but at the time the notices were sent, I expected that we were sure of members from these two churches, and Mrs Kittle had seemingly acquiesced in my request that she would assist in organizing and then she could resign.

I was the more embarrassed from the fact that I belonged to another presbytery, and that the smallest and poorest in the Synod! I had no church to invite the Com. to, and no boarding, I had no home where we could meet! I was obliged to ask

for the use of their churches; and also to solicit them to extend the hospitality of their homes to the strangers! From one of themselves all this would have come with much better grace.

But the work had to be done, and there was literally no one to do it but myself. It was the proper place for the meeting — it should be the centre of future work, and the officers should be principally residents of this vicinity.

I went, on the morning of the 4th, to Calvary Church, only sure of one resident delegate, and she was an hour after the appointed time! I began to think even she would not be there, and was just lifting up my heart to God for strengthened faith and guidance, when Mrs Burling entered as delegate, or member, from Calvary Church. She had been elected by the

session on the preceding evening — is wife of one of the elders — a capable, earnest woman, who will do <u>all</u> that she undertakes, but will not undertake that which she thinks she cannot do.

Her pleasant face brought new courage. Soon, Mrs Judge Hall arrived — the one I expected from the Oakland St. I had expected several ladies from a distance — three had said positively they would be with us. others purposed coming, but all were prevented!! The husband of one had Sciatica; another, missed the train by <u>one</u> minute (there had been a change in time of trains); another, had three friends arrive inopportunely from the East; one, a dying mother-in-law; another, an absent husband which threw necessary duties upon her; ~~two~~ others, ill, &c.

But, in the midst of the great disap-

pointment, all wrote cheering and interested. Only one, outside of these two cities, declined serving; and that, not from want of willingness, but because she and the pastor's wife had not been appointed from one church, and that one of the smaller ones. She felt that the two largest churches should be represented; but said she was ready to do anything we would ask of her for the cause." I will quote her words — "Much as I am interested in this good work, I feel that it would be far better for me to resign." "I will remain at home ready to do whatever I can to assist those who are more publicly active in the cause."

But all the kind letters did not give us voters at our Meeting, and as we were only three, it was inconvenient to have the chair com=

pelled to vote upon <u>every</u> question.

Rev Mr Specker had advised us to organize if but two were present, (I had, in my doubts and fears of the previous evening, consulted him regarding the propriety of calling another meeting in event of a <u>very</u> small attendance,) as there might be the same delays and difficulties the next time; as people were loth to enter into new things, especially if they were likely thereby to incur much responsibility. They would readily come into an accomplished organization."

We spent the morning hour in consultation and prayer, and resolved to defer organization until the afternoon; meanwhile, we would consult with Rev Mr Hemphill,

and Mrs Burling would endeavor to get Mrs Kittle to attend.

I had prepared lunch for a dozen people – only four partook of it.

Mr H.'s advice was the same as Mr ~~Humphrey's~~ Spencer's – My husband also coincided with them; so feeling that we had obeyed the powers that be by consulting "the pastors", we in faith entered upon our work.

With what result, you will see by the "Accident" of the 17th inst., which I send by this mail.

You will observe in 4 of the Regulations that we say we will report every Feb. – Would that be the best time for you? If so, how late in the month would answer? Would March do as well?

In 5 you will see that we appoint before evening service, on Sabbath, as a season of prayer. To those en=

gaged in Sabbath Schools, or having families to prepare for church, it would be impossible to have a few minutes before morning service.

In the election of officers we were hampered. Both Mrs Hall and Mrs Burling objected to serve as Rest.; the former, partially from lack of time and both, because they were unwilling to lead in prayer, and yet believed a presiding officer should do so. So, as I was in the minority, I was compelled to serve for the present — either until they change their minds, or some one else can be secured in this Presbytery.

We wished to have the most important officers here, but lacked enough for the purpose! So Mrs B. was made 1st V. Prest. and 1st Cor Sec'y, though she positively refuses to fill the latter position. Says she

never made out a report in her life, and cannot do it. This task falls upon me until Dr Alexander will give us additional members, or Dr Chetts church sends us a representative in lieu of Mrs Kettle. I should have said that Mrs K. did attend the afternoon meeting, and saved my voting all the time. I had, before the meeting, asked her personally and by note, to secure a lady in her place, but in vain. At the meeting I asked if she had presented the subject to her father — "she had not" "would she do so, and get their Session to elect one"? "She preferred I should." Thus, even with her own father, there was no one to speak but me!
I called upon him the next day — he said he would lay it before the Session on the following Sabbath — I gave him the names of two ladies in his ch.

who would be efficient. The Session desired time to deliberate and select, but I have not yet heard from them.

I have given you a detailed and somewhat tedious account of the beginning of the work here, but I thought you would be interested in all pertaining to it, and it also will explain why I have had to be so prominent in it.

Providentially, my home is here for the present, though belonging in the southern part of the State; and it is probable I may remain here for a year.

Do remember your Committee in our prayers. Will you remember us, and ask the Lord that he may give power to the faint, and that we, who have

no might, may be increased in strength?

Yesterday, I attended the Home Missionary Society of the 1st Pres. of Oakland. A proposition was made to them to connect themselves with our Synodical Committee; but their acting Prest., deferred it until the next meeting – a month hence.

Mrs Bunting has laid the same before the So. of Calvary Ch.

It will take us sometime to get our work thoroughly inaugurated, but we will do all we can in our present feeble condition.

Please send "The Work of Synodical Committees &c" to the following persons, and send me the bill.

Mrs W. W. Brier, Centreville, Cal.
" ~~H. H. Rice, Sacramento~~ "
" F. M. Dimmick Santa Rosa "
" E. Le B. Gunn, San Diego "

Mrs R. T. McDonald, San Rafael Cal.

I should say, in reference to St Johns Col of S. F., (Dr Scott's,) that they do a great deal for the Theological students, and hence cannot do much in some other directions. This is, of course, true Home Miss work, but passes to the credit of the Education Fund.

There are some questions in your letter unanswered, but I must close now, hoping to write you soon again.

Yours, very sincerely
E. S. Cameron

Please accept the thanks of our Committee for your letter. It fully answered my questions.

It may be encouraging to send a few extracts from letters received. "I love the Home Mission work - and will try and do something

here for the cause. I pray that the Holy Spirit may be with you in your meeting and that you may be greatly blessed." "I shall make an extra effort to be present at the meeting. We have recently organized a Home Miss. Soc. in our church. We are all much interested and have made a good beginning." "I am with you in heart in every effort to promote the interests of Christ's kingdom on earth." "I trust there may be a full meeting, and that we may learn how most advantageously to work in this good cause." "Our Society is in sympathy with the movement, and we wish it every success. You have our earnest prayers that the Holy Spirit may indeed meet with you in all your deliberations, and great good result therefrom." "We shall be most happy in doing whatever the Com.tee may request of us in forwarding any plans they may see best to make in reference to Home Missions." "I hope and pray that even so much may be done for the Home Miss. cause. The prayers and the funds of God's people are both greatly needed for it." "I shall feel interested and think of you during your meeting."

Alaska

Lockport N.Y.
Dec 19th

Rev. Sheldon Jackson
Dear Sir
Please find
enclosed P. Office order for $5.11
for ten copies of K. M. Presbyterian,
to be directed to the enclosed
names for one year.
I count your paper of great
value in the interest of these
Missions, & only wish that I
could send for 100 copies
instead of 10.
We have dispatched a
boy to the Arnold of Evanston
& through Dr. Kendall have

learned that some church in Mich. had just sent him another, & so the good brother will have his wants well met for once.

I have laid the Alaska appeal before our Sabbath school & hope that they will make a handsome Christmas offering toward it.

When you shall again be in the East, it would give us great pleasure to see you, & I should be very glad to have our Ladies Mis'y Society enjoy the privilege of meeting with

List of names for R. Th. Pres'n.

Wm C. G. Bamber
" Charles Hildreth
" Marvin Webber.
" Lyman Cobb.
" Ashley Smith.
" E. K. Graves.
" George Richardson
" Robert James.
" Dr Fassett.
" Geo. L. Brockett.

& listening to you. Hoping for this pleasure
ere long I remain

Yours in Union for the Master

Thos R. Horton.

Rev.
A. H. Donaldson [illegible]

Fort Defiance Arizona Dec 24/79
Rev'd Sheldon Jackson D.D

Dear Brother. Allow me on behalf of self & family to express thanks for papers sent by you & received by the last mail. On Monday Dr McNett, his niece Miss McNett, Miss Eastman & Miss Griffin arrived at this place. We were all gratified to see the ladies & the Doctor. We have been needing a physician very much as there has been considerable sickness among the Indians.

Mr Eastman has been gone on his trip to California for some two weeks, & will probably be gone for about 3 more weeks. He was not expecting the ladies to come till spring & consec

Quently there was no preparation for them. They will be obliged to board with us till Mr E returns. We have our hands quite full with six boarders. We are making some progress in the acquirement of the language. This however will take considerable time, as the Navajo language is quite a difficult one. A party connected with the post traders here have done all they could to hinder our work among the Indians. They persuaded the former Interpreter not to interpret for me on Sabbath. Mr Eastman dismissed the Interpreter & employed another. But as soon as Mr E was gone the new Interpreter refused to interpret for me — no doubt influenced by the same parties. How much evil a few men can do when they

are so disposed

Now I wish to speak of the Matter to kept entirely between ourselves. In a year, if not sooner the present Agent will cease to act. I feel quite sure he will not seek reappointment. He as you know is but using this as a stepping stone to a home on the Pacific Coast.

Now do you think I would be a suitable person to succeed him? My reasons for wishing to act as agent are Many. First I would dismiss Godly Employees. — Men are here in that capacity who do not leave a stone unturned to hinder any good work among the Indians. 2nd I would stop the issuing of supplies in Rations. Other men have done it and there is no necessity for it. 3rd I would be here not with a view to permanancy.

having the good of the Navajoes at heart. Other agents come here to spend a year for their health or to see the country; or for some like reasons. Consequently the Navajoes are fed but their condition morally or socially is not bettered.

I think by the time the vacancy would occur, I would know much more about Navajo affairs than any new man coming from the East. As to my business qualifications. I could give you refrence to parties who know me in the East, where I spent about four years merchandising. Please answer at your earliest convenience, telling me plainly what you think;

Trusting that your child is well again. I am

Sincerely your friend,
in the Gospel A.H. Dorrance

Monday Dec 29 - 79

Dear Brother. Since writing the above I have had opportunity to observe the attitude of our new arrivals toward religion. Only two of the newcomers, and two of the old residents, were present at a bible class held for the whites at my house yesterday. The whole number, with the exception of two Angel spent most of the day running about over the hills right seeing. God's holy day is made a holliday. What effect will it have for me to tell the Indians to keep the sabbath holy when those who are sent to them as teachers so openly desecrate the day. All the trouble I have had to get an interpreter has come from the influence of the Post trader party - including Mr Eastmans clerk.

If this reaches you before you are at Allegheny Seminary I wish you would see Revd A.H. Jolley, studying class. I have written to him in reference to the Mogui Mission. Mr Prater has resigned his position as Agent, and it is now under the care of the Agt here.

Very truly yours
A J Donaldson

ANIMAS CITY,
LA PLATA CO., COLO.

Dec. 23rd 187[illegible]

Dr. Geo.—

I have delayed writing to you long time reason—so busy and mail being short so far over on the range. I know you will be disappointed when I tell you how I am getting on this winter.

I am in a great mania for going to church and the house is altogether too small for the audience—They come an hour before time & I have to be up early and work all forenoon up till after the ringing of the first trumpet (bell) Then the church is full in

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Account Book of the expenses
of erecting the Dwelling
at the Parsonage of Jesus Chapel

By J M Stevens
Missionary in Charge

Date	Whom Paid	What For	Amount	
1874			8	[illegible]
[illegible]	J. H. Miller	2 Adobe [illegible]		50
"	Marco Kitake	1/2 day making Adobe		[illegible]
"	Antonio Lopez	1/2 day " "		.25
12th	— Antonio (Pakus)	1/2 day, at foundation		25
13	Marco Kitake	50 Adobe		[illegible]
"	Augustin [illegible]	50 "		50
	Felix Lopez	70 "		70
18	[illegible]	[illegible]	7	.50
" 19	" "	[illegible]	1	50
" 19	Juan Gonzales	On making Adobe	2	.00
" 19	J. H. Miller	2 Adobe Beds		50
" 20	J. H. Miller	1 [illegible]		50
" 21	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	.66
" 24	J. Pico	[illegible] at Benicia	5	.25
" 24	" "	Barley & hay for team	2	.00
" 25	Rafael Rivas	On Adobe	10	.00
" 26	Blacksmith at [illegible]	2 [illegible]		[illegible]
			117	.74

1875

Date	Whom paid	For what	Amount $	Amount Cts.
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
2 Oct	Refugio Valverde	3 days work	[illegible]	[illegible]
2 "	Roque Ruiz	1 " "	3	00
[illegible]	Cabral Rios	Rent on [illegible]	11	[illegible]
" 1	Wm. Hammond	For work on house	5	00
" 1	J. W. Miller	For work on house	5	00
2 "	J. W. Miller	For stable		10
" 5	J. W. Miller	For a plank for frames		90
" 5	Lorenzo Trou	On Adobe contract	10	00
" 5	Refugio Ruiz	For 6 days work	6	00
" 11	Refugio Valverde	For 6 days work	6	00
" 8	Lorenzo Trou	On Adobe contract	10	00
" 10	Lorenzo Trou	On Adobe	4	00
" 11	Montana Trou	For two Adobe	10	00
" 11	Francisco Valverde	For 8 feet for scaffolds	2	00
" 12	Juan Carlos Montoya	For 6 days work	6	00
" 11	Refugio Valverde	For 6 days work	6	00
			$ 8	00

1878			amount	
date	[illegible]	[illegible]	5	00
Oct 7	Raphael Reiz	For 6 days work	6	00
"	Martin Thom	For 1050 Adobe	10	50
" 14	Francisco [illegible]	For 8 [illegible]	2	00
" 15	[illegible]	For [illegible] Adobes	2	00
" 18	Refugio Labrado	For 6 day work	6	00
	Juan Pablo Montoya	For 6 days work	6	00
" 21	Juan Pablo Montoya	For 3 days work [illegible]	3	00
Nov 1st	J. W. [illegible]	For 2 [illegible] and [illegible]		50
"	[illegible]	[illegible]		00
2nd	Juan Pablo Montoya	For 3 days work	3	00
"	[illegible]	For [illegible] 3 days	6	00
11	[illegible]	[illegible] for J. H.	10	00
"	Juan Pablo Montoya	" " " " "	10	00
"	San Juanito Baca	" " " " " "	10	00
"	J. H. [illegible]	2 [illegible] lands	60	00
"	J. H. Smith	for March		45
			914	95

date	Names	Paid what for	Amount $	cts
~~Jan 11~~	~~[illegible]~~	~~[illegible]~~	~~[illegible]~~	~~[illegible]~~
" 12	Christoval Garcia	For Lumber	[illegible]	[illegible]
" 13	Francisco Valverde	For Lumber for roof	2	50
" 18	José Mora	For 2 dry vegas	4	00
" 18	Jesús Montoya	On hauling lumber from S. F.	11	00
" 18	Jorge Tiri	On Plastering Parlor	3	[illegible]
" 18	Fermito Casiguito	On Plastering	4	[illegible]
" 19	— Sandoro	On Plastering	2	00
" 20	Juan Antonio	For 5 vegas	7	50
" 21	José Andrade	For hauling lumber from S. F.	8	00
" 21	Fernando Gachupin	For [illegible]		
" 22	Augusta Lopez	For 1½ days work	1	50
" 22	Fernando Gachupin	For 1 vega	1	00
" 23	[illegible] Pueblo	For work	12	50
" 23	José Murcia (Pueblo)	For 4 vegas	4	00
" 25	Francisco Valverde	On vegas	20	00
			83	50

date 1878	To whom Paid	For what	amt	cts
Nov 25	A Mexican Man	Hauling roof lumber from S. F.	20	.00
25	San Juanito [illegible]	One days work	1	.00
25	Augusta Lopez	2 bags	3	.00
27	Francisco Marco	2½ days work	2	.50
27	To Gov. Lucero [illegible]	1½ days work	1	.50
7	[illegible]	2½ days work	4	.50
Dec 3	San Juanito Casaus	Plastering 4½ days	10	.00
" 3	Christoval Chavez Sando	On Plastering	1	.50
" 7	J. W. Muller	Carpenter work	5	.00
" 4	J. H. Herlow	Lumber	33	.00
" 5	San Juanito Lucero	Plastering 1½ days	4	.50
" 6	Lorenzo Tron	Bal on Plastering	3	.00
" 7	Christoval Sando	Bal on Plastering		.50
" 7	[illegible] Casaus	Bal on Plastering		.50
" 19	Augusto Lopez	1 day work [illegible]		.50
			95	60

date				
		[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
	Legal	Wheel Barrow	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Freight on Wheel barrow	1	50
		Tenning ax	4	00
		2 window sash & glass	4	00
		1 door lock & hinges	1	75
Jan 20	Augustus [illegible]	1 days work	1	00
" 20	Mr Indian	1/2 days work		50
" 20	Lodney Jackson	1 days work		75
" 20	Squire Mosier	2 days work in well	4	00
Jan 21st	Hope for well to [illegible]	for to 9 ft Mosier	1	50
"	Squire Mosier	6 days work in well	12	00
"	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
11th	Squire Mosier	6 days work in well	12	00
11th	Jan Second Parish	5 1/2 days work in well	5	75
14	Squire Mosier	3 days work in well	6	00
Jan 25th	Heerlow	6 rod boards	14	00
			75	25

Date	Name	Work	$	
Feb 8th	Desiderio Casiquita	1 days work	1	00
" "	Jesus Gochupin	1 days work	1	00
" "	Hernandez Gochupin	1 days work	1	00
" "	Cipriano Duarte	1/2 days work		50
" 8th	12 Indians	for Working in Ditch	12	00
" 8th	Indagui	1/2 days work		50
" 8th	Hermenegildo	1 days work	1	00
" 12	" " Son	1 days work	1	00
" 13	Juan Lucero	1 1/2 days work	1	50
" "	S. J. Casiquita	3 days work	3	00
" 14	Juan Lucero	1/2 days work		50
" 14	S. J. Lucero	1 days work	1	00
" 14	Jesus Gochupin	1 days work	1	00
Feb 21	Augustin Pelkas	Hauling first load	10	00
" 24	Refugio Valverde	Haul pole for ditch	2	25
" 25	" "	" " " "	2	00
" 25	D. Blake	Work in office	2	00
			43	25

date

1879	to whom paid	What for	amount $	cts
March	1st D. A. Blake	3½ days work	3	50
5th	Refugio Valverde	1 load poles for corr	2	00
8th	Jesus Gochicoa	5 days work	5	00
8th	D. A. Blake	6 days work	6	00
13	J. W. Miller	3 lbs nails		30
15	D. A. Blake	6 days work	6	00
" 15	Jesus Gochicoa	6 days work	6	00
" 20	J. W. Miller	6 lb nails	1	00
" 22	D. A. Blake	6 days work	6	00
" 25	Jesus Gochicoa	2 days work	2	00
" 27	J. W. Miller	Rope for well	1	35
" 29	D. A. Blake	6 days work	6	00
" 31	J. W. Miller	Iron for well auger		65
" 31	Christoval Gochicoa	2 inch auger for well	2	00
" April 1st	Jeff W. Miller	Iron for well auger handle	1	00
" " 4	Rec'd of Mr Luhrs	For a board.		50 cts
			49	00

[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	D. A. [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
" 1	Jesus Gochupin	[illegible]	1	50
" 1	Francisco Martin	" " "	1	50
9	Francisco Martin	" " "	1	00
9	Jesus Gochupin	" " "	1	00
19	Francisco Martin	[illegible]		[illegible]
			11	75

Romaldo Montoya's acct of work at the Mission Buildings at Jemez.

Sept 16th	By 1/2 days work	cts 50	
" 17th	" " 1/2 " "	50	
"	To money paid Indian for fix wheel		$ cts 2.50
" 18	By one days work	1.00	
" 19	By one days work	1.00	
" 20	By one days work at foundation	1.00	
" 21	To Cash on work at house		1.75
" 23 & 24th	Trip to Bernalillo with team	2.50	
"	25 To Cash		2.50
" 27	By 1 days work	1.00	
" 28	" 1 " "	1.00	
" 28	To Cash		2.00
" 30	By 1 days work	1.00	
Oct 1st	" 1 " "	1.00	
" 2	" 1 " "	1.00	
		11.50	8.75

Romaldo Montoyo's Acct Continued.

		Cr	Dr
Brot over		$11.50	8.75
Oct 3rd	By 1 days work	1.00	
" 4	By 1 days work	1.00	
" 5	By 1 days work	1.00	
" 5	To Cash		6.00
" 8	By 1 days work	1.00	
" 9	By 1 days work	1.00	
" 10	By 1 days work	1.00	
" 10	To Cash		2.00
" 11	By 1 days work	1.00	
" 12	By 1 days work		
" 12	To Cash		~~8.75~~
		18.50	18.50

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144	.95
83	50
95	60
75	25
43	.25
49	00
11	.75
18	.50
32	.40
759	.94
	50 Recd for a bond
759.	44
23	70
783.	14

Boarding

Joachim Mester 48 meals

L. A. Blake 100 "

Jesus Gretujin 10 "

158

15 cts per meal

790

158

$23.70

Account of Boarding hands building the James mission building

date	meals
Sept 10	2
" 12	2
" 16	7
" 17	6
" 18	3
" 19	3
" 20	3
" 25	2
6	6
7	9
[illegible]	9
[illegible]	9
	61

Oct	meals
1	9
2	9
3	9
4	9
5	9
7	9
8	11
9	12
10	12
11	12
12	12
14	6
15	6
16	5
17	6
18	6
	132

Oct	
19	6
21	3
22	3
23	3
30	2
31	3
Nov 1st	3
	23
	61
	132
	216 meals
	15 cts per meal
	1080
	216
	3240